

# Bootstrap & Infrared effects in small $x$ evolution equations

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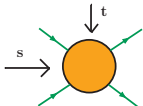
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# Outline

- **High energy limit: Regge theory & QCD**
  - Regge theory and the soft Pomeron
  - gluon reggeization
  - the hard Pomeron
- **Bootstrap equation & running of the coupling**
  - A model for the running
  - Gluon Green's function and MC
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# The low $x$ limit: Regge theory

## Regge (high energy) limit:



$$s \gg |t|, Q^2 \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2$$

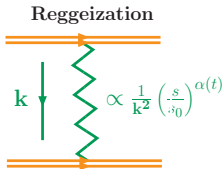
$$\alpha_s(Q^2) \ll 1$$

$$x \simeq |t|/s \ll 1$$

## Regge theory prediction:

$$A(s, t) \sim s^{\alpha(t)} \Rightarrow \sigma(s) \sim s^{\alpha(0)-1}$$

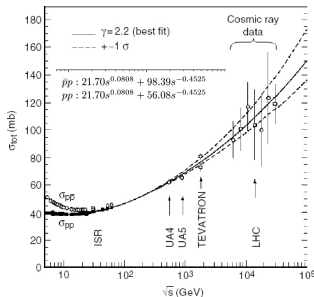
## Explanation by Regge principles:



- Exchange of “something” in the  $t$ -channel carrying the Q.N. of the vacuum:

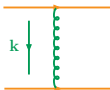
SOFT POMERON:  $\lambda_p \equiv \alpha(0) - 1 = 0.08$ .

- particles with such propagator: **reggeized particles**

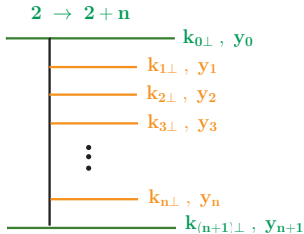


# QCD and the Regge limit: $s \gg |t|$

t-channel exchange:



Ladder-type diagrams:



- **Multi Regge Kinematics:**  
Impose strong ordering in rapidity:

$$y_1 \gg y_2 \gg \dots \gg y_n$$

- **Dominated by:**  $\bar{\alpha}_s \log(s/s_0)$
- **What happens with pert. theory?**

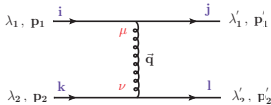
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \bar{\alpha}_s^n \log^n(s/s_0) \quad , \quad \bar{\alpha}_s \log(s/s_0) \sim 1$$

Need of resummation of logs of energy:

**GLUON REGGEIZATION**

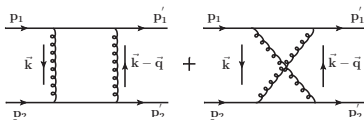
# Gluon reggeization

Take into account all possible **t-channel virtual contributions** leading in MRK:



- **First order in p-theory:**

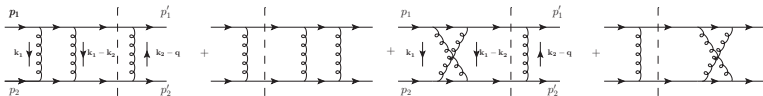
$$A_0(s, t) = 8\pi\alpha_s t_{ij}^\alpha t_{kl}^\alpha \frac{s}{t}$$



- **Second order in p-theory:**

$$A_8^{(1)} = A_0(s, t) \log(s/|t|) \epsilon(t) + \dots$$

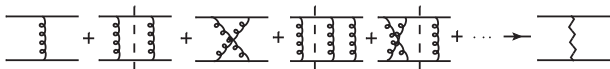
- **Third order in p-theory:**  $A_8^{(2)} = A_0(s, t) \frac{1}{2} \log^2\left(\frac{s}{|t|}\right) \epsilon^2(t) + \text{extra terms}$



# Gluon reggeization & Bootstrap

- Ansatz for higher orders: gluon reggeization

$$A_g(s, t) = A^{(0)}(s, t) \left[ 1 + \log\left(\frac{s}{|t|}\right) \epsilon(t) + \frac{1}{2!} \log^2\left(\frac{s}{|t|}\right) \epsilon^2(t) + \dots \right] = A^{(0)}(s, t) \left(\frac{s}{|t|}\right)^{\epsilon(t)}$$




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**Bootstrap equation:** proves this ansatz to all orders in p-theory

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*The integral equation for the  $t$ -channel exchange of two reggeized gluons in the color octet has a **solution with a Regge pole in Mellin space** of the form  $\omega = \epsilon(t)$ , ensuring a power-like growth of the total hadronic cross section and **justifying reggeization**.*

# BFKL evolution eq. and hard Pomeron

- **Mellin transform** of the imaginary part of the amplitude

$$\omega f(\omega, \mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) = \delta^2(\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2) + \mathcal{K}^{\text{BFKL}} \otimes f(\omega, \mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2)$$

- **Solution:**  $\mathcal{K} \phi_i(\mathbf{k}) = \lambda_i \phi_i(\mathbf{k})$  ,  $\mathcal{K} |n, \nu\rangle = \omega |n, \nu\rangle$
- **Using the Saddle Point Approx...**

$$\omega = \bar{\alpha}_s \chi_0(\nu = 0)$$

$$\chi_0(\nu) = 4 \log(2) - 14\zeta(3)\nu^2 + \dots$$

$$\lambda_p^{\text{QCD}} \simeq 4\bar{\alpha}_s \log(2) \simeq 0.5 \quad \gg \quad \lambda_p^{\text{soft}} \simeq 0.08$$



# Bootstrap & running (I/III)

- **The idea:** introduce the running coupling in the BFKL eq. in a way consistent with bootstrap
- **Why running coupling?** Motivation:

## Gluon Green's function

	Fixed coupling	Running coupling	Regge theory
<b>Solution:</b>	cut (branch point)	pole-like	pole-like
<b>Pomeron intercept:</b>	0.5	0.3	0.08

Natural appearance of **renormalons**  $\iff$  approach to the **infrared**.

## Bootstrap & running (II/III)

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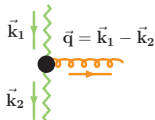
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GGF: iteration for MC

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Plots

Conclusions



• Bootstrap equation:

$$\omega - \epsilon(\mathbf{k}_1) - \epsilon(\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{q}) = \frac{\bar{\alpha}_s}{4\pi} \int d^2l \mathcal{K}(l, \mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{q})$$

BFKL eq. with fixed coupling when imposing a **pole-like solution**:

$$\phi_\omega(\mathbf{q}^2, \mathbf{k}^2) = \frac{A}{\omega - \epsilon(-\mathbf{q}^2)}$$

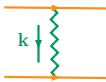
[Braun (1994) hep-ph/9408261]

[E. Levin (1995) hep-ph/9412345]

[Kovchegov, Weigert (2006) hep-ph/0609090]

## Bootstrap & running (III/III)

### Fixed coupling:

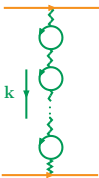


Propagator: 
$$\frac{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mu^2)}{\mathbf{k}^2} \left( \frac{s}{s_0} \right)^{\epsilon(-\mathbf{k}^2)}$$

Trajectory: 
$$\epsilon(-\mathbf{k}^2) = -\frac{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mu^2)}{4\pi} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}'}{\mathbf{k}'^2} \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}')^2}$$

Impose bootstrap condition to trajectory  $\iff \mathcal{K}_{\text{BFKL}}^{\text{LO}}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}')$

### Running coupling: by insertion of a gluon chain.



Propagator: 
$$\frac{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{k}^2)}{\mathbf{k}^2} \left( \frac{s}{s_0} \right)^{\tilde{\epsilon}(-\mathbf{k}^2)}$$

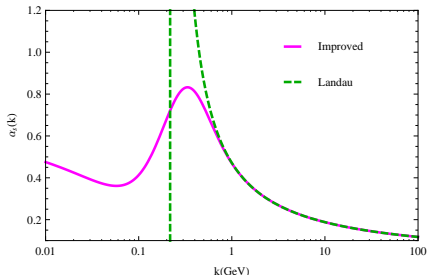
Trajectory: 
$$\tilde{\epsilon}(-\mathbf{k}^2) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}'}{\eta(bk')} \frac{\eta(\mathbf{k})}{\eta(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}')} \quad \text{with} \quad \eta(\mathbf{k}) \equiv \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{k}^2)}$$

Take  $\tilde{\epsilon}(-\mathbf{k}^2)$  and insert it into bootstrap eq.  $\implies \mathcal{K}_{\text{BFKL}}^{\text{running}}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}')$

## A model for the running

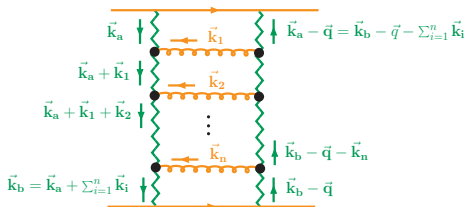
Running coupling **analytical in the infrared** and compatible with power corrections to jet observables:

$$\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{k}^2) = \frac{4N_c}{\beta_0} \left( \frac{1}{\ln \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}} + 125 \frac{(\Lambda_{QCD}^2 + 4\mathbf{k}^2)}{(\Lambda_{QCD}^2 - \mathbf{k}^2) \left(4 + \frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}\right)^4} \right)$$



[B. Webber (1998) hep-ph/9805484]

## Non-forward GGF: iteration and MC



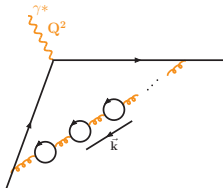
Non-forward:

- $t = -\mathbf{q}^2 \neq 0$
- diffractive
- hard scale:  $|t| \gg \Lambda_{QCD}^2$

$$\mathcal{F}(k_1, k_2, q, x) = \left\{ \delta^{(2)}(k_1 - k_2) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \prod_{i=1}^n \int d^2 q_i \mathcal{K} \left( k_1 + \sum_{l=1}^{i-1} q_l, k_1 + \sum_{l=1}^i q_l; q \right) \theta(q_i^2 - \lambda^2) \right. \\ \times \delta^{(2)} \left( k_1 + \sum_{l=1}^n q_l - k_2 \right) \int_{x_{i-1}}^1 \frac{dx_i}{x_i} x_i^{(\epsilon_\lambda(k_1 + \sum_{l=1}^{i-1} q_l) - \epsilon_\lambda(k_1 + \sum_{l=1}^i q_l))} \\ \left. \times x_i^{(\epsilon_\lambda(k_1 - q + \sum_{l=1}^{i-1} q_l) - \epsilon_\lambda(k_1 - q + \sum_{l=1}^i q_l))} \right\} x^{-\epsilon_\lambda(k_1) - \epsilon_\lambda(k_1 - q)}$$

[Andersen, Sabio Vera, hep-ph/0309337]

## Power corrections & renormalons



**Running:**

$$\alpha_s(\mathbf{k}^2) = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{1 + \frac{\beta_0}{4\pi} \alpha_s(\mu^2) \log(\mathbf{k}^2/\mu^2)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_s(\mu^2) \left(-\frac{\beta_0}{4\pi}\right)^n \log^n\left(\frac{\mathbf{k}^2}{\mu^2}\right)$$

**Perturbative series:**

$$\mathcal{R} \simeq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r_n \alpha_s^{n+1}$$

**Borel transform:**  $\mathcal{B}[\mathcal{R}](u) \equiv \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} u^m \frac{r_m}{m!} \Rightarrow \mathcal{R} = \int_0^{\infty} du e^{-u/\alpha_s} \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{R}](u)$

**Our case:**

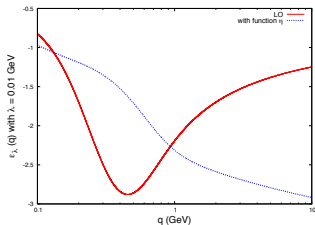
$$\mathcal{A}(Q^2) = \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}^2}{\mathbf{k}^2} f(\mathbf{k}^2, Q^2) \alpha_s(\mathbf{k}^2) [\theta(\lambda^2 - \mathbf{k}^2) + \theta(\mathbf{k}^2 - \lambda^2)]$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{IR} \sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\beta_0}{m}\right)^n n! \alpha_s^{n+1}(Q) \Rightarrow \mathcal{B}[\mathcal{A}](u) = \frac{m/\beta_0}{m/\beta_0 - u} \Rightarrow u = \frac{m}{\beta_0}, m \in \mathbb{N}$$

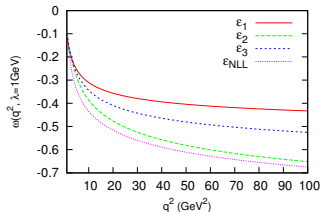
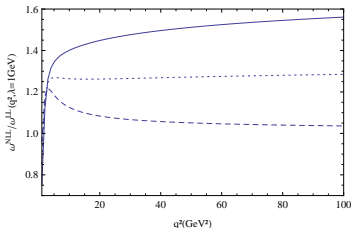
## Plots: the trajectory

$$\epsilon_{\lambda}^{\text{run}}(\mathbf{q}^2) = -\frac{\mathbf{q}^2}{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{q}^2)} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}}{2\pi\mathbf{k}^2} \frac{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{k}^2) \bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q})}{\mathbf{k}^2 + (\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q})^2} \theta(\mathbf{k}^2 - \lambda^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{\lambda}^{\text{LO}}(\mathbf{q}^2) &= -\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{q}^2) \mathbf{q}^2 \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}^2}{2\pi\mathbf{k}^2} \frac{\theta(\mathbf{k}^2 - \lambda^2)}{\mathbf{k}^2 + (\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q})^2} \\ &\simeq -\frac{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{q}^2)}{2} \ln \frac{\mathbf{q}^2}{\lambda^2} \end{aligned}$$

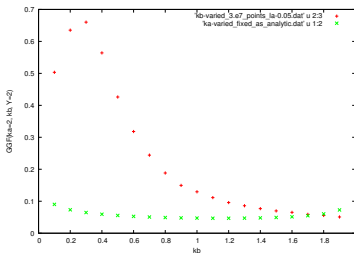
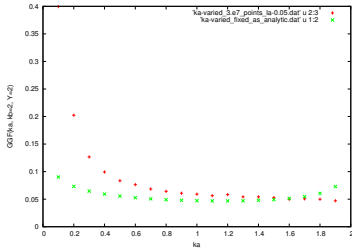


Solid line:  $\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{q}^2)$ , dotted:  $\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{k}^2)$ ,  
dashed:  $\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{q}^2)} \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{k}^2)}$



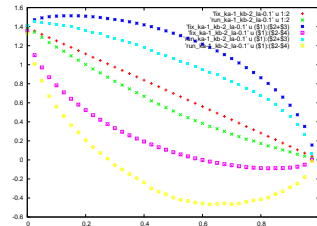
# Plots: gluon Green's function

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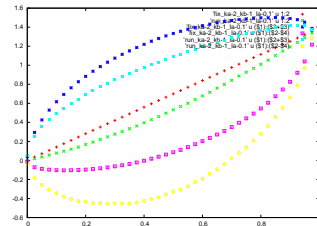


$\lambda = 0.1$

$k_a = 1 \text{ GeV}, k_b = 2 \text{ GeV}$



$k_a = 2 \text{ GeV}, k_b = 1 \text{ GeV}$





# Comments and conclusions

- The insertion of the running coupling...
  - provides smooth transition between the hard and soft Pomeron
  - leads to the appearance of renormalons  $\Rightarrow$  sensitivity to the infrared
- The model used for the running coupling...
  - is analytic at the Landau pole, freezing in the IR
  - compatible with power corrections to jet observables
- BFKL eq. solved numerically using an iterative expression for the running case
- We are ready to implement this formalism for the study of LHC-like processes

# THANK YOU

FOR YOUR ATTENTION,  
specially for being the very last talk of the  
journey...

